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Invitation to the meeting of the COMMITTEE ON ORGANIC PRODUCTION

The 130th meeting of the Committee on Organic Production will take place on 20 January 2016 from 09:00 to 18:00 at rue de la Loi 130 – 11th floor - room A

Simultaneous interpretation: FR-DE-EN-IT-ES to FR-DE-EN-IT-ES

I have the honour to invite the experts from the appropriate departments of the Governments of the Member States to attend a meeting of the Committee on Organic Production which will take place on 20 January 2016 in Brussels at the following address:

European Commission - DG AGRI building rue de la Loi 130 - B 1049 BRUSSELS 11th floor - room A

AGENDA

Section A - Opinion of the Committee

 Draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) amending Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards the arrangements for imports of organic products from third countries (to be confirmed)

Section B - Points for information and/or discussion

- Draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) amending Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards an electronic certificate of inspection (D042122)
- Draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 as regards substances: Annex II, VI &VIII (D041571)

- 3. Overview of the audits carried out by the Food and Veterinary Office on organic production and labelling of organic products
- 4. Follow up to irregularities and fraud allegations in the EU
 - 1. Overview of notifications
 - 2. Cases for presentation by the notified Member State, information and discussions
 - INEU 125/2015 DE-AT (labelling/certification)
 - Irregularities reported by Romania as country of origin¹: updates by RO and MS concerned (BG, DE, CY, HU, IT, NL)
 - Updated by RO on the alleged fraudulent certification of a Romanian operator (action as regards the operator and the control body concerned)
 - 3. Commission's preliminary assessment and discussion
 - INEU 142/2015 CZ-ES (lemons)
 - INEU 170/2015 DE-IT (lemons)
 - INEU 160/2015 DE-SK (rapeseed) and related cases
- 5. Follow up to irregularities and fraud allegations on imported products
 - 1. Overview of notifications as per 15/12/2015
 - 2. Cases for presentation by the notifying Member State and discussion
 - a. 152/2015 DE honey from Mexico
 - b. 189/2015 DE ginger from China
 - c. 185/2015 NL banana from Ecuador
 - d. 121/2015 UK barley grass powder from China
 - 3. Imports from Ukraine and neighbouring countries
- 6. EGTOP
- 7. Import regime (Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008)
- 8. Reporting of operators to EUROSTAT and in annual reports under MANCPs

¹ See Romanian authorities' e-mail to delegates on 7 December 2015, posted in CIRCABC

9. Miscellaneous²

- DEET following request from MS
- National catalogue of measures update by Commission
- Use of private samples in OFIS irregularity notifications

Yours sincerely,

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